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Governor Cooper -

I am convinced that construction of the Atlantic Coast Pipeline is a massive mistake. I am sure that by now you are familiar with the arguments of both sides on this issue, so I won't waste your time by listing them. I voted for you because I believe that leadership should be visionary, not reactionary, and construction of the pipeline will create known long-term problems while only addressing a short term need.

As a recent victim of threatened condemnation by Progress Energy (in Hoke County) I am very much against the use of Eminent Domain by for-profit entities. They were not elected and do not claim to have anybody's best interest at heart other than their own.

I support your stance on offshore drilling. Please give the landlocked citizens of North Carolina the same consideration given to the coastal industries, and use your influence to block permit approval for the ACP.

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